Minutes

TO: Public Safety Committee

FROM: Harry Captain, Chairperson

DATE: June 9, 2014

SUBJECT: Public Safety Committee Meeting

IN ATTENDANCE: Harry Captain, Shari Cantor, Ron Van Winkle, Gary Allyn, Tracey Gove, Dan Coppinger, Bob McCue

The Public Safety Committee met on Friday June 6, 2014, at 8:00 a.m., in Town Hall, Room 312, to discuss the following:

AGENDA

1. Fire update

Chief Allyn reviewed the recent fire department activity report. He also discussed dispatcher training, a proposed agreement with the Red Cross to operate our shelters and possibly use one of our high schools as a regional shelter, the fire rating classification for West Hartford by ISO, the state emergency operations exercise scheduled for June, and the process for hiring 5 additional fire fighters. There are presently five vacant positions.

2. Police update

Chief Gove reviewed recent police activity. The department presently has 6 openings for police officers and our recruitment process is ongoing. We are looking at changing the towing service that the town has awarded through a bid process as there are concerns about the existing contractor. The Chief also discussed the history and purpose of our Citizen Complaint Review Board.

C: Town Council
Ronald Van Winkle, Town Manager
Joseph O'Brien, Corporation Counsel
Essie Labrot, Town Clerk
Department Directors
Karen List, Superintendent of Public Schools